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PHOTOGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE BRIEF

SUBJECT : Tientsin (Tien-ching) Urban Area

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LOCATION: Hopeh Province, China

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Tientsin (39°08'N/117°11'E), an inland water port on the Hai-Ho (River), is an important rail and transshipment center located 60 miles southeast of Peiping. Tientsin was covered by good quality, large-scale aerial photography for the first time

A new large marshalling yard has been constructed north of Tientsin on the rail line to Peiping, and in the city itself there are several new rail spurs and a new small marshalling yard. Several new small industries, storage facilities and housing areas are evident throughout the city.

Tientsin Airfield has undergone extensive changes. The concrete runway has been extended from 4400 to 7200 feet and new support buildings have been constructed. A few transport-type aircraft were observed at the airfield.

Three cargo vessels ranging from 260 to 315 feet in length were observed in the port area.

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